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Applicant hereby submits the attached Amendment (20 pages) and Credit Card Payment Form (Form PTO-2038, 1 page) for entry in the above-noted application.

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.

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